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Amendments to the Specification

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

[0024] In addition, a modified polymer resin capable of absorbing a total energy of greater than 28 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 30 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 35 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 40 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 45 J, at a temperature of less greater than or equal to about -30° C and a test velocity of 6 m/s is possible with embodiments of the present invention. Further, a modified polymer resin capable of absorbing a total energy of equal to or greater than about 7 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 10 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 15 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 20 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 22 J, at a temperature less greater than or equal to about -40° C and a test velocity of 6 m/s is possible with embodiments of the present invention.

[0025] In addition, a modified polymer resin capable of absorbing a total energy of greather than about 30 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 35 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 40 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 43 J, at a temperature of less greater than or equal to about -30° C and a test velocity of 8.5 m/s is possible with embodiments of the present invention. Further, a modified polymer resin capable of absorbing a total energy of greater than about 11 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 15 J. alternatively equal to or greater than about 20 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 25 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 30 J, alternatively equal to or greater than about 34 J, at a temperature of less greater than or

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equal to about -40° C and a test velocity of 8.5 m/s is possible with embodiments of the present invention.